



#### Additional Local.

E. B. Longwell has a column adv. of bargain prices, this week.

Mrs. Thos. Solomon has been quite ill, but is now much better.

"Jottie" Hunt is here from Mattawan to assist Broughton during the fair.

Advertised letters: Miss Zella Hutter, Miss Flo. Barrell, Mr. Arthur Curry.

In an enlarged adv. this week, Waters & Co. advertise granite iron ware at wholesale prices.

Cummings advertises a cloak and jacket sale during the street fair in his new Main street store.

The Lillian Sackett company will show at the opera house, Friday and Saturday evenings of this week.

A new three-horse power gas engine has been added to the already complete equipment of the Northern office.

Miss Etta Whitford returned home yesterday from Lawton, where she has been packing grapes, for C. J. S. Jones.

Just as his great money-saving sale is closing Broughton announces a special sale of cloaks, commencing to-morrow. See his adv.

If you are thinking of taking out life insurance, it will pay you to consult Elmer Sirrine, who represents the Northwestern.

Married, by Mrs. Anna Barton, at her home, September 21, Mr. Leon C. Casler of Delta, Ohio, and Miss Ada M. Engle of Paw Paw.

The Paw Paw ball team went to Bloomingdale last week and defeated that team by a score of 8 to 6. The game was a hotly contested one.

A lot of price breaking and bargain making figures are advertised by Hamilton this week. He has a new delivery wagon, and it is evident that Paw Paw's newest grocery is a success.

Sellick advertises this week a special opening sale of cloaks. A representative of Beifeld & Co., cloak manufacturers, will be at his popular store during the fair, with more cloaks than can be carried even in a city retail department.

#### WILL BE IMMENSE.

(Continued from 1st page.)

The premium for the best dressed woman, a silk waist pattern, given by Broughton, will be awarded at the Woman's Building.

I will give as a premium at the coming Street Fair at Paw Paw, a single harness worth \$15, to the best sample of farmers' sons, born and raised in this county, 21 years old and under. Each sample must be workers on farms, on their father's farm or as hired man, number, full brothers, size, form, height, weight, manly beauty, good morals, health, constitution, industry, neat at life, pedigree and the circumstances of life to be the test. References as to good morals will be required.

G. W. Koons, Paw Paw, The oldest and best harness maker in the county.

Judges: Eugene Allen and wife, Waverly; J. L. Hutchins and wife, Porter; Dan. Morrison and wife, Antwerp.

2:30—Bicycle Races—Ladies' race; prizes, 1 pair of \$3 Pingree shoes, by Broughton; \$1.25 Cresco Corset by Cummings.

Ridiculous Race, prizes \$1.50, box of cigars by G. W. Longwell Jr.

Old Gent's Race, prizes \$1.25; 75 cents. Hurdle Race, prizes \$1.50, \$1.00, 50c.

3:00—Acrobats on elevated stage.

4:00—Balloon ascension and parachute drop.

5:00—Prof. Martine on the high wire.

7:00—A grand illuminated parade of wheelmen 150 or more in line, a grand and entertaining feature.

All wishing to take part in this parade are requested to meet at the school house at 6 p. m.

#### Local Endeavor Convention.

The first village convention of the three christian endeavor societies of Paw Paw, was held according to previous announcement, at the Disciple church on Saturday last. The convention was a success in every particular, and did much to intensify the spirit of fraternity and fellowship that has heretofore existed among the endeavorers from the different denominations. The program was carried out practically as published in the Northern last week.

The christian citizenship address by H. C. Tanis of Kalamazoo was a forcible one. After the conclusion of the evening program, Rev. M. S. Waller resigned the presidency of the local union, because of his anticipated departure from this place, and H. D. Spicer was elected in his stead.

#### Marriage Licenses.

Chas. W. Patchin, 42, Chicago; Emma J. Scott, 33, South Haven.

James G. M. Baleman, 34; Eva J. Summer, 20, both of Hartford.

John E. Hewitt, 23; Blanche P. Nightingale, 20, both of Gableville.

M. T. Hunziker, 29, Chicago; Alice R. Hamilton, 23, Bangor.

William A. Smith, 30, Elizabeth A. Miller, 22, both of Glendale.

John M. Wheeler, 56, Union City; Ola Cross, 38, Alma.

Aaron Reynolds, 23, Alice McNitt, 17, both of Arlington.

Clarence Underwood, 21; Addie Salisbury, 20, both of Lawton.

Charles S. Pearson, 51; Maggie Pearson, 51, both of Hartford.

Leon S. Shaver, 41; Alice A. Brigham, 31, both of Lawrence.

#### LOCAL OPTION.

[Under this head we will publish signed articles of a suitable sort, either favoring or opposing the local option law. The editor reserves the right to reject any contribution he does not think proper for publication.]

#### A Few Brief Thoughts.

PAW PAW, MICH., SEPT. 27, 1897.

ED. NORTHERNER:

As you have kindly consented to permit both sides of the election sentiment a reasonable space in your columns, I offer a few brief thoughts, and hope some one will answer a few of the many arguments made by both sides, in a kind and candid spirit. I wish to say that the voter not only represents his own will at the ballot box, but that of woman as well. And the great uprising of the noble motherhood of this county must surely appeal to the best impulses of manly hearts in a very forcible way. I am one of those women

who believe that most men are noble, brave and true, and that a large majority of men wish to vote just right, and will proudly vote next November in a way that will safely represent the dependent women and children of their families, and that no amount of argument will cause them to swerve from what they feel is safe and right in the performance of this exalted privilege.

And so I ask the intelligent womanhood of this county, to ask their legal representatives to faithfully represent their wishes at the ballot box the first Monday in November next.

Will some one please answer the following questions:

What constitutes an enforced law? Will the license system and open saloon be a financial gain to the county, when the increased crime and pauperism, together with the cost of prosecuting criminals and maintaining paupers, which are directly traceable to the traffic, are taken into account?

If there is as much liquor sold under local option as under a license system, why do men want the license system?

Is the argument a valid one which says: That because men are not prosecuted, or prosecuted and not punished for violations of the present system, that the law cannot be enforced?

Will the open saloon cause our merchants to sell more goods and so gain greater prosperity? Will the purchasing power of families be increased?

Kindly Yours,  
ANTI SALOON DAUGHTER.

#### Saloon Blessings.

Thompsonville, Mich., Sept. 23, '97. ED. NORTHERNER:—To-day we found the Northern in the postoffice as has been the custom for the six years we have been here and for several years prior, until we would as soon lose a tooth as our paper. Among other items we found an editorial, rather inviting the voters of the county to use the paper to present ideas pro and con upon the issue now before the people as to whether the saloon should stay, or come back into Van Buren county. Although not a voter there, I was once, and have a very friendly regard for the people yet, and would feel I had shirked a duty did I not unburden myself of some choice thoughts upon the subject now causing a turmoil in that peaceful section.

First, I would say let the saloon in, as it is contrary to any known law or precedent to deprive anyone of his personal liberty. The saloon tends to build up a town. The taxpayers can sit down and rest; the license will pay for improvements, and fines for drunkenness will so swell the coffers that no taxes will be levied upon property. The saloon should run wide open, so anyone could get a drink without being obliged to be ill and get a doctor's prescription. In our city we have only five saloons, the population being about 1500—one saloon to each 300 souls. No one is obliged to go to another town to trade. (We have one church, another is in building.) As an illustration, we would say the village received \$1,250 license and expended about \$100 of it upon the streets. Last year it was about the same. But one of our saloonists has one of the finest residences in the place.

Another good reason why the saloon is a good thing: The boys can enter and see for themselves; they are not obliged to take the word of anyone, and they can enjoy an evening where wine and wit flow freely. Some women make a great deal about it, but they, of course, are too ignorant of the manifold benefits to be judges.

One night on passing one of our health resorts, a man came out under the influence of liquor a little, his wife behind him, and it was no wonder the poor man was trying to drown his troubles. She told him his children went to bed supperless and she had no food that day. Is it any wonder men drink? And how can such men get it if there are no open saloons? We have seen the village fathers in session, doing business for the people, so tired and worn that they were obliged to take something for their stomach's sake by invitation of a saloonist. How could they do business for the people if it was not for the saloons? It may cause some trouble, but who is free from trouble?

Another thing we forget is the fact that people will have it anyhow, and if they cannot get it at home they will go elsewhere for it and take their trade with them, and they purchase heavily. It may be a little tough upon the wife and children, but the habits of economy they learn are worth a great deal. Our state law forbids minors from frequenting saloons. Not long ago we called upon one of our public philanthropists to call his attention to a violation, when one of his customers, who is a firm believer in personal liberty, told the clerk if his boys came in to allow them to have what they called for. That man will never be sorry that he gave his boys their liberty.

A lot of fanatics have been organized in our state, an Anti-Saloon league to war upon one of our industries. Good Templar lodges are being organized. Preachers are crying from the pulpits of the wrongs of the saloon. Some morbid pictures are drawn of the woes of the drunkard and his family. They take us to the prisons, asylums, and almshouses, telling us the majority of the inmates are there confined because of drink. What are those places for if not to keep people in? A few murders more or less are nothing. We must have paupers and criminals. It is not the drink that causes it; the drink only shows man's nature.

By all means let the saloons come back to your county. Just think for a moment of the number of men who want to earn a living and cannot. Think of the boys, who are deprived of the

pleasures to be found in the open saloon. Why, if you should keep the saloon out of your county for a few years more, you would not have anybody to drink, the old folks will all be dead. Open them up and you can pave your streets, run your electric lights and your water works cheaper. You will call in a class of people who will spend their money freely. Your law courts will find something to do. Your jailer will have some boarders. Your boys can enjoy themselves, and you can reap benefits as of old. The Saviors caused water to become wine. Noah got drunk. Several of the prophets took wine. The very elect take it in communion. There are always fools who take too much, and the sooner they are dead the better.

We have lived for six years where we have seen the saloons open, even on Sunday, and can truly say they have brought lots of business. Especially have I taken more notice of the fact since becoming a justice of the peace, as drunk and disorderly are very common. Sometimes the monotony is broken by the charge of vagrancy or selling on Sunday. This helps us to fees. Sometimes the county is obliged to pay for trials, and occasionally for the care of a prisoner in the jail or reformatory. But the licensed saloon pays. Of course we leave it to the readers of this as to whom the pay goes to.

Now, in conclusion, vote local option down. Break down the barriers to personal liberty. No one but women and preachers and cranks oppose it. Let them in, and the wealth of the people will flow. The best people, of course, will agree with.

Yours truly,  
ELMORE S. NORTHRUP.

#### New Suits.

Jason B. Foote et al. vs. Mary V. Murdock et al.; bill for partition. L. H. Titus and T. J. Cavanaugh.

Isaac Fowler vs. John Lyle; assumption. L. H. Titus.

Sunday School Institute. The 29th session of the Porter, Antwerp and Alma Sunday school institute will be held at the Alma M. E. church, Saturday, October 9. Following is the program:

MORNING SESSION.  
10:00—Devotional Exercises led by Rev. I. P. Bates.  
10:15—Recitation. Miss May Dunham.  
10:25—Making Assemblies Profitable. Miss Phoebe Wright.

Discussion led by S. L. Lawton.  
10:45—Making Sunday Delightful for Children. Mrs. W. H. Parsons.  
11:10—Address of Welcome. Miss Grace Miner.  
Response by Mrs. J. H. Emmons.  
Adjournment.

AFTERNOON SESSION.  
1:30—Devotional Exercises led by Rev. I. T. Crago.  
1:45—Report of Sunday Schools and Business.  
2:05—Bible Teaching on Temperance. Rev. Isaac Horton.

2:30—A Pull All Together. Mrs. Carrie Boring.  
Discussion led by W. C. Mosier.  
3:00—Apostolic Miracles. Rev. I. P. Bates.  
3:20—Advancing the Right, Better than Attacking the Wrong. Miss Alice Bangs.  
Discussion led by J. H. Mauk.  
3:45—The Relation of the Sunday School to Missionary Work. Mrs. J. H. Emmons.  
Discussion led by Rev. A. S. Williams.

EVENING SESSION.  
7:30—Prayer by J. H. Emmons.  
Song Service led by M. P. Rouse.  
8:00—Address. Rev. J. W. Hagerty, Gableville.  
The music will be in charge of Mr. M. P. Rouse, Dowagiac.  
Finest of the Wheat No. 1 will be used.

#### Circuit Court.

William Shakespeare v. Calvin Baughman; assumption; trial completed; verdict "no cause for action." In this case the plaintiff, a Kalamazoo lawyer, sued defendant to recover the amount of certain fees claimed to be due for professional services. On a former trial the plaintiff received a judgment for the sum of \$648. The defendant appealed to the supreme court, where the judgment was reversed and a new trial ordered, resulting as above.

George H. Phillips vs. William H. Kellogg; garnishment. Verdict for defendant, by order of court.

Corra D. Rockwell vs. P. L. Grimes; assumption; verdict and judgment for plaintiff, \$536.36 and costs.

The people vs. Daniel McCabe; criminal assault; respondent sentenced to ten years at Jackson.

The people vs. John Mitchell; criminal assault; respondent sentenced to seven years at Jackson.

The people vs. James Burgess; violation of local option law; respondent arraigned and pleaded not guilty pro forma.

The people vs. I. E. Hamilton; violation of local option law; respondent arraigned and pleaded not guilty pro forma.

Edwin T. Hicks vs. George H. Banker et al.; injunction bill; decree dismissing bill.

Peter Ackerson vs. Sarah Ackerson; divorce; decree granted.

Court adjourned until Friday, Oct. 8, at 9 o'clock a. m.

#### Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers of real estate have been recorded during the past week:

L. S. Monroe to J. A. Potter; lot 10 blk 4 Home add South Haven; \$200.

Mary J. Defriest to Ella J. Williams; w q n w q 12 Pine Grove; \$1.

Mary J. Defriest to Emma B. McNamara; e h w n w q 12 Pine Grove; \$1.

A. J. Johnson to Loretta Beardslee; w h n e q 18 Hamilton except 2 1/2 acres; \$4000.

Loretta Beardslee to A. J. Johnson and w; same as last above; \$4000.

I. M. Allen to J. P. Warner; lands on section 26 Bangor; \$3000.

Emily J. Ross to W. P. Law; s h s e q s e q 22 South Haven; \$1500.

Mary O. Whelpley to F. E. Avery; lot sec 30 Pine Grove; \$5.

C. R. Dewey to Emma Cronin; lot 5 and part lot 6 blk 1 'Cross' add Bangor; \$1500.

H. A. Sortore to C. H. Kennedy; n 15 a s e q s e q 28 Antwerp; \$1300.

T. L. Graves to Geo. Ashman; 10 a w side s w q n w q 9 Keeler; \$110.

E. L. Moe to Henry Holt and w; pt lots 2, 2 and 4 blk 33 Paw Paw; \$1000.

A. B. Chase to C. J. Monroe; s q n e q and pt w h s e q 30 Geneva; \$1500.

Irene McNeill to Alice Barnes; s h lots 8, 9 blk 7 Dodge's add Lawton; \$500.

Elijah Dine to Adam Dine and w; e h s w q n e q 14 Decatur; \$500.

Lottie C. Walker to Mattie W. Anderson; s 20 a s e q n w q 12 South Haven; \$100.

Corra G. Walker to Mattie W. Anderson; same as last above; \$100.

Mary J. Moran et al. to F. E. Morrill; n 20 a n e q 6 Hartford; \$50.

Mattie W. Anderson to E. G. Farrington; and i s 20 a s e q n w q 12 South Haven; \$100.

#### Prosperity Talks.

By Charles Austin Bates.

A year ago wheat sold at 52 cents a bushel; to-day it is nearly 50 cents higher.

A year ago St. Paul was 63, Burlington 50, Sugar 95, L. & N. 41; recently St. Paul was at 95, Burlington 58, Sugar 150, L. & N. 62.

What does it mean? It means business.

From '86 to '92 most people made money. In many lines '92 was the greatest year this country has ever seen.

Perhaps most of us did a little too much business in '91 and '92—became a little too sanguine—ventured a little too much.

Since '92 the man who has held his own is to be congratulated, and those who have gained have great reasons for rejoicing.

I believe we are now starting on another five years of good times. It may last six years—maybe seven—but don't count on more than five. Live up to your opportunities for the next five years, and you needn't worry about the five to follow.

These will be years of money-making. Every man in a legitimate, needed business can make all he works for.

How shall he work for it?  
(1) By making or selling worthy products in a worthy way.

(2) By telling people what he is doing. In the next five years right advertising will pay as it has never paid before.—From Charles Austin Bates' Criticisms, New York, (Copyrighted, 1897).

## Losing Flesh

You naturally lose flesh in the summer and running down is so easy. You get a little weaker each day without hardly noticing it. There is loss of appetite, headache, weakness of the muscles, disturbed sleep, weakness of memory, and these are the beginning of nervous prostration. Iron and tonics and bitters may afford some temporary relief, but what you need is a food for body, brain and nerves.

## Scott's Emulsion

of Cod-liver Oil with the Hypophosphites, furnishes just the nourishment needed for those who are run down and pale and thin and weak. If you lose flesh in summer take Scott's Emulsion now. Don't wait till fall or winter before beginning.

For sale at 50c. and \$1.00 by all druggists.



## Life Is a Pleasure

to the man who makes it such. Good clothes add greatly to the comfort of living. They're one of the least expensive of pleasures and not a selfish one, because all your friends enjoy seeing you well dressed. Think it over and come in and see some of our new suits and overcoats. Every one bearing this Trade Mark:

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is warranted as to fit and quality and the prices are easy enough to satisfy any one.

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